ROHM AND HAAS, HAYWARD PLANT HAYWARD CALIFORNIA

AT A GLANCE

Industry Sector:

Facility Employees:

Accomplishments:

2003 Commitments:

Business:

Address:

Chemical

polymers

50-99

Manufactures emulsion

Reduced solid waste

Reduce energy use Reduce hazardo us waste Reduce solid waste

Hayward, CA 94545

Reduced accidental releases

Reduce accidental releases 25500 Whitesell Street

Rohm and Haas, Hayward Plant in Hayward, California manufactures acrylic and vinyl acrylic emulsion polymers. The facility has been a leader in the Southem Alameda County CAER group. The facility has been recognized for environmental achievement by the City of Hayward and the California Water Pollution

Control Association.

ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE

Past Accomplishments

Rohm and Haas, Hayward has demonstrated its commitment to environmental performance in the areas of solid waste and accidental releases. From 1997 to 1999 the facility:

- **Reduced solid waste** by 5% through reducing product lost to the waste water stream.
- Reduced accidental releases by 70% by increasing employee training.

Future Commitments

Rohm and Haas, Hayward also committed to continued environmental improvement through reductions in energy use, hazardous and solid waste generation, and accidental releases. By 2003, the facility will:

- **Reduce total electrical energy use** by 4.6% per pound of product by using more efficient lighting, instituting a non-essential energy shutdown procedure and investigating additional areas for potential conservation.
- Reduce hazardous waste generated by 29% through more careful management of leftover chemicals and through undertake a system-wide corrective action if any root causes of repeated spills are identified.
- **Decrease solid waste generated** by 10% per pound of product through continuing current whitewater reduction activities and researching ways to reduce gel waste.
- **Reduce accidental releases** by another 29% by continuing both the current extensive operator training program and root cause analysis.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

The Rohm and Haas, Hayward plant has surveyed community concerns at a Community Risk Seminar, Open House activities, through the Conditional Use Permit process and during personal meetings with neighbors and facility tours. The facility also communicates with the public through direct letters and individual telephone calls. The facility has a community outreach program that actively seeks

connection with their neighbors through CAER, on-site trainings, community fairs, public RMP meetings and informational brochures. The Performance Track Annual Report will be distributed by their CAER at various community outreach events.